

# HOUSE BILL No. 1336

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 10-19-7-5.

**Synopsis:** EMS state medical director. Requires the executive director of the department of homeland security to appoint a state emergency medical services (EMS) medical director (EMS director) to oversee all medical aspects of the state EMS system. Sets forth qualifications and duties for the EMS director.

**Effective:** July 1, 2014.

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January 15, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 10-19-7-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2014]: **Sec. 5. (a) For purposes of this section, "EMS" means**  
4 **emergency medical services.**  
5 **(b) For purposes of this section, "state EMS director" refers to**  
6 **the state emergency medical services medical director appointed**  
7 **under subsection (c).**  
8 **(c) The executive director shall appoint an individual to serve as**  
9 **the state emergency medical services medical director. The**  
10 **individual must have the following qualifications:**  
11 **(1) Thorough knowledge of state EMS laws and**  
12 **administrative rules and regulations.**  
13 **(2) At least five (5) years experience in the following:**  
14 **(A) Medical direction of out of hospital EMS.**  
15 **(B) Emergency department treatment of acutely ill and**  
16 **injured patients.**



1           **(3) Significant experience and familiarity with the following:**

2               **(A) The design and operation of statewide EMS systems.**

3               **(B) Working with national and other state EMS**  
4               **committees.**

5           **(4) At the time of the individual's appointment, has a valid**  
6           **and unrestricted license to practice medicine in Indiana.**

7           **(5) Be certified by the American Board of Emergency**  
8           **Medicine.**

9           **(6) Other areas of knowledge and expertise that the executive**  
10           **director determines essential.**

11           **The state EMS director shall be an employee of the department.**

12           **(d) The state EMS director shall oversee all pre-hospital trauma**  
13           **care medical aspects of the statewide EMS system, including the**  
14           **following:**

15               **(1) Medical components for systems of care that interface or**  
16               **integrate with the statewide EMS system, including the**  
17               **following:**

18                   **(A) Statewide planning for trauma, burn, cardiac, and**  
19                   **stroke care.**

20                   **(B) Domestic preparedness.**

21                   **(C) EMS for children, including neonatal transport.**

22               **(2) For all levels of emergency responders, establishment of**  
23               **the following:**

24                   **(A) Statewide model guidelines and best practices for all**  
25                   **patient care activities to ensure delivery of medical care**  
26                   **consistent with professionally recognized standards.**

27                   **(B) A statewide EMS continuous quality improvement**  
28                   **program.**

29                   **(C) A statewide EMS advocacy program.**

30               **(3) In cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies,**  
31               **training and certification of all EMS providers.**

32           **(e) The state EMS director shall assist the executive director on**  
33           **all issues related to statewide EMS, including the following:**

34               **(1) Consulting with EMS medical directors.**

35               **(2) In consultation with the Indiana emergency medical**  
36               **services commission created by IC 16-31-2-1, providing**  
37               **guidance and assistance on the following matters:**

38                   **(A) Scope of practice for EMS providers.**

39                   **(B) Restrictions placed on EMS certifications.**

40                   **(C) Appropriate corrective and disciplinary actions for**  
41                   **EMS personnel.**

42                   **(D) Education and training on emerging issues in EMS.**



- 1       **(3) EMS system research.**
- 2       **(4) Coordination of all medical activities for disaster planning**
- 3       **and response.**
- 4       **(5) Improving quality of care, research, and injury prevention**
- 5       **programs.**

